

National ESEA Conference – Listening and Input Session

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Interagency Working Group: Purpose

Strengthen implementation of different federal definitions of the term *homeless* and provide support to communities to better respond to housing and services needs.

Including:

- Stronger shared vocabulary to describe different living situations
- Increased clarity about differing housing and services needs
- Better identify and capture different experiences of homelessness within federal programs and data systems



Possible Targeted Federal Funding for Consideration

Diverse array of programs across **DOJ, DOL, ED, FEMA, HHS, HUD, VA, HUD-VA, HUD-DOJ** to address housing, education, employment, health, mental health, etc.

Programs may be competitively funded (e.g., Runaway and Homeless Youth programs) or available through federal or block grants (e.g., Emergency Food and Shelter Program).

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The federal programs described below offer targeted funding for preventing and ending homelessness. Community-based organizations or local entities must apply to federal agencies to receive some, while others are funded through block grants that state and local governments then allocate, often through competitive application processes.

Funds That Communities Must Apply For	2
Continuum of Care Program	2
Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals	2
Family Unification Program Voucher Program	3
Foster Youth to Independence Program	4
Grant and Per Diem Program: Per Diem Only and Transition in Place	4
Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals	5
Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals - Services in Supportive Housing	6
Healthcare for the Homeless Program	6
Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program	7
HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	7
Pay for Success Permanent Supportive Housing Demonstration	8
Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Program	9
Runaway and Homeless Youth Street Outreach Program	9
Runaway and Homeless Youth Transitional Living Program/Maternity Group Homes	10
Supportive Services for Veteran Families	11
Transitional Housing Assistance Grants to Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking	11
Treatment for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness, Serious Emotional Disturbance, or Co-Occurring Disorders Experiencing Homelessness	12
Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program	13
Funds Available Through Federal Block or Formula Grants	13
Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grants	14
Emergency Food and Shelter Program	14
Emergency Solutions Grants	15
Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness	16
Veterans Justice Outreach Program	16



Decision Tree Approach

Who needs assistance/services? What is the household composition?



What is the current living arrangement of the household in need of assistance/services?



What federal definition of homelessness aligns with the current living arrangement?



What kind of federally funded assistance/services is the household potentially eligible for?



What should I know about the federally-funded program(s)?



What is needed for an individual to access this assistance or services?



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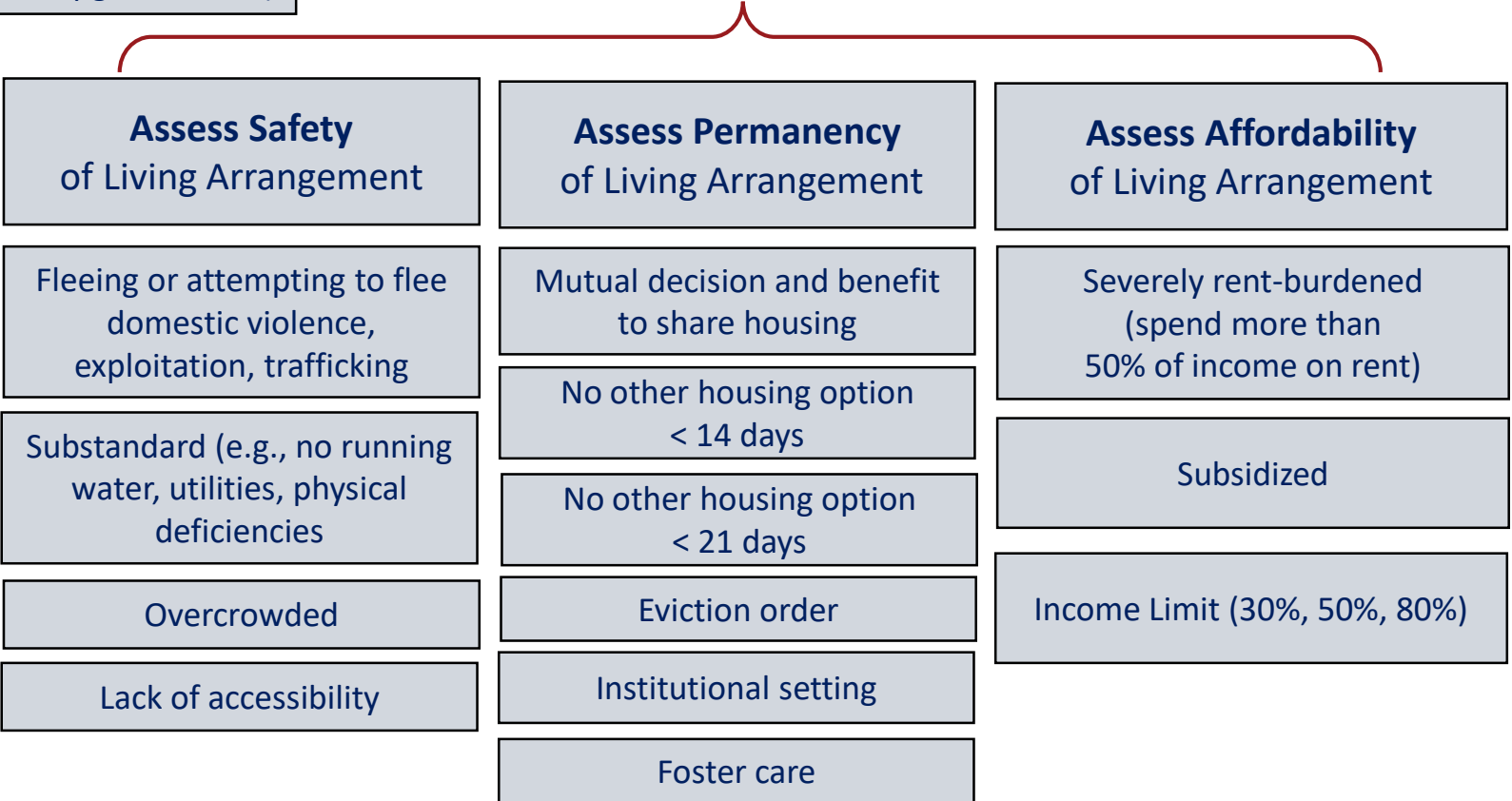
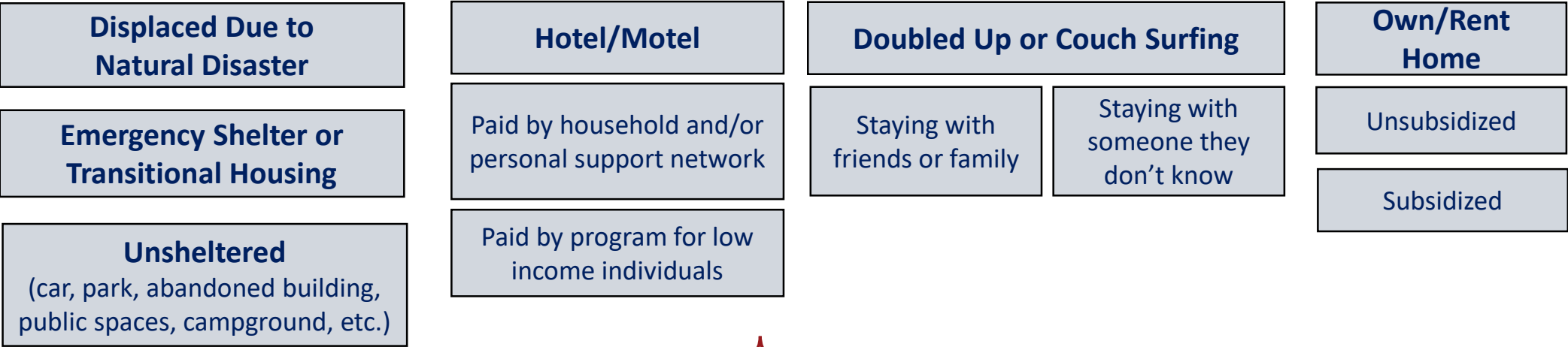
Individual	Multiple Individuals (related/not related)	Family with Dependent Children		
Unaccompanied Youth 10-17	Unaccompanied Youth 10-17	Family with children < 5 yrs	Family with children 5-10 yrs	Family with children 10-17 yrs
Young adult 18-25	Young adult 18-25	Family with children < 5 and HoH is 18-25 yrs	Family with children 5-10 yrs and HoH is 18-25 yrs	Family with children 10-17 and HoH is 18-25 yrs
Single adult	Single adult	Family with children < 5 and HoH is a senior	Family with children 5-10 yrs and HoH is a senior	Family with children 10-17 and HoH is a senior
Senior	Senior			

Veteran HoH
Disability

Non-Veteran HoH
No identified disability

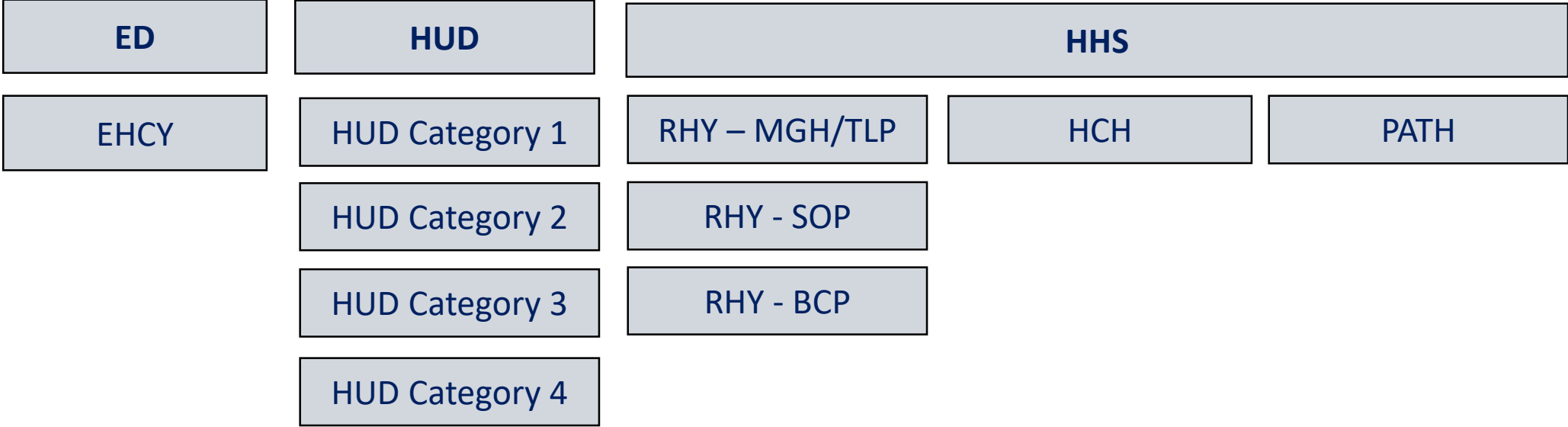


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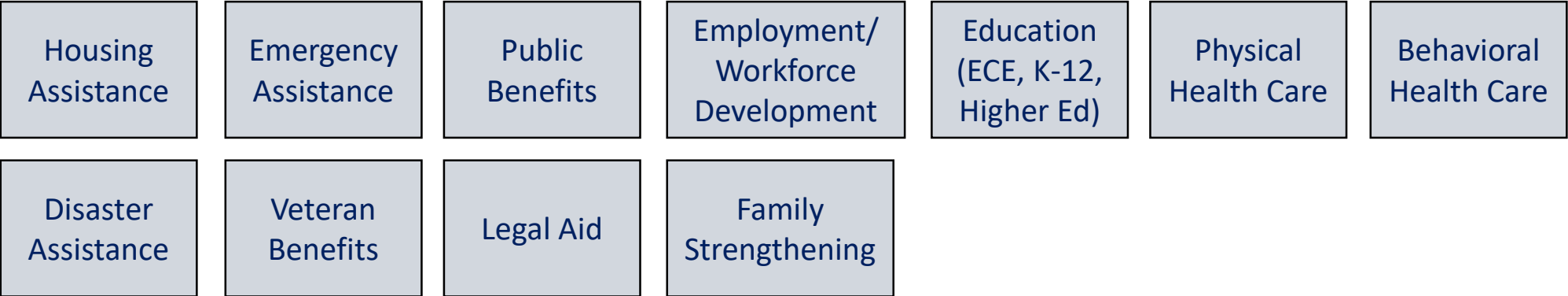




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What should I know about the federally-funded program(s)?

Program Funding
(managing
federal agency)

Program Purpose

Target Population

Regulatory or
Non-Regulatory
Guidance

Program
Guidance

How Funds are
Awarded

What is needed for an individual to access this assistance or services?

Eligibility
Requirements

Referral Process

Required
Documentation

Contact
Information

FAQ



Example

Household Composition:

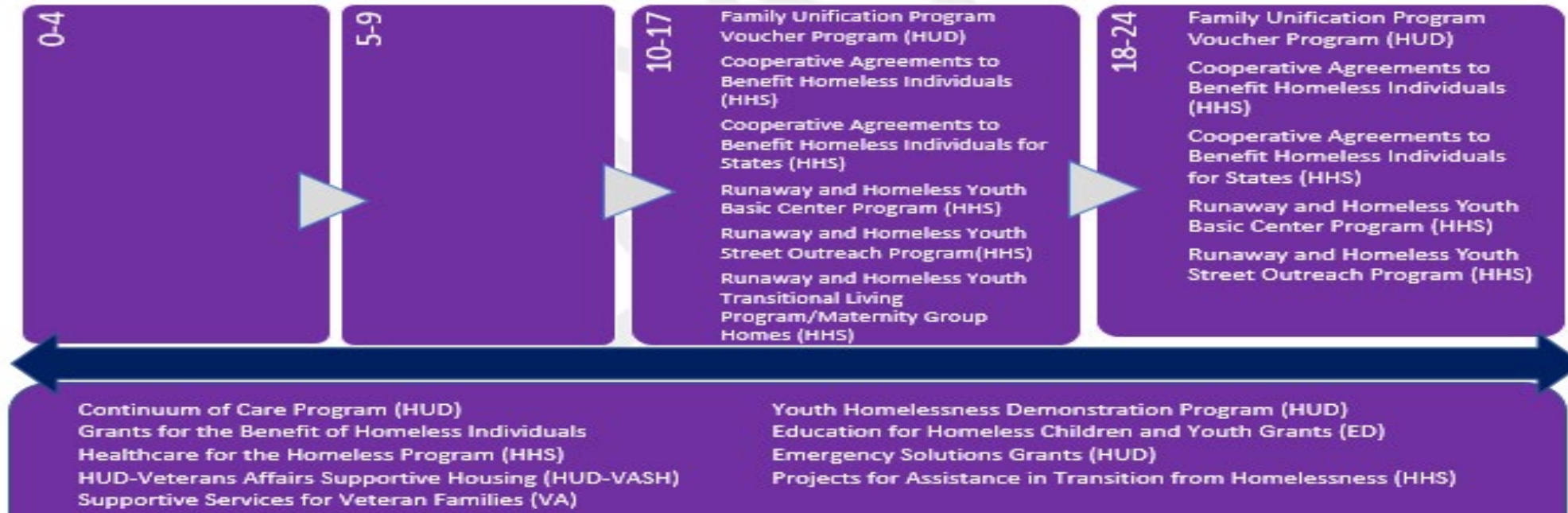
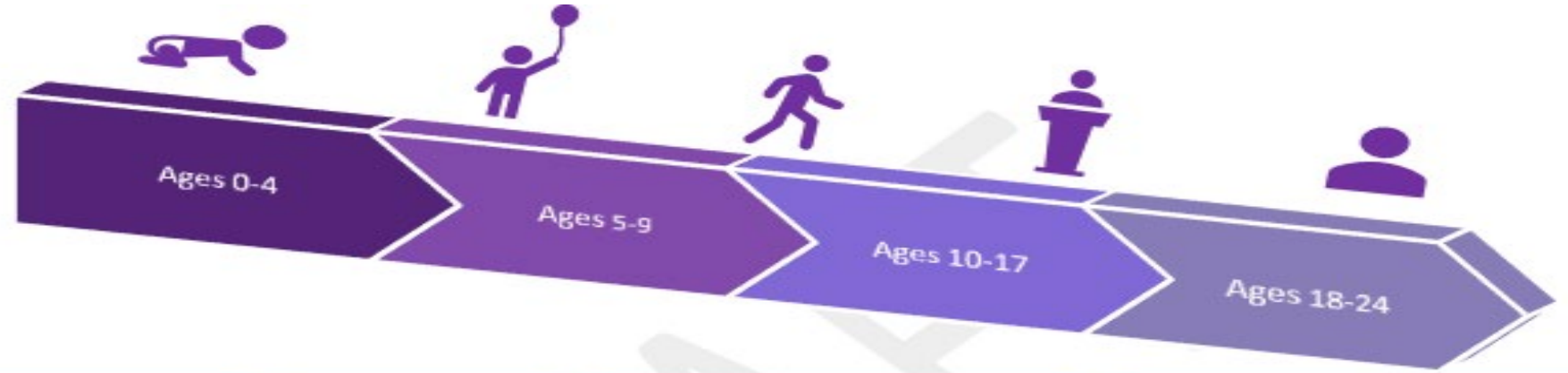
Family with children 10-17
 Veteran HoH

Living Arrangement:

Unsheltered in car

Service Type:

Housing Assistance
 Education
 Employment
 Health Care





What Comes Next?

- Continue to **refine program inventory** of targeted federal programs
- Begin to identify range of **non-targeted federal programs** (e.g., mainstream housing assistance, American Job Centers, YouthBuild, TANF, early care and education)
- External **stakeholder input** on developing tool(s) and content
- Identify federal resources to **support development and dissemination** of tool(s) and related materials



Proposed Timeline

- **November 2019:** Continue to refine proposed approach with Council Policy Group and working group; solicit first round of external input
- **December 2019:** Present proposed approach to Council
- **January-March 2020: Stakeholder engagement**
- **April-May 2020:** Revise proposed tool in response to stakeholder feedback
- **June 2020:** Test tool with select stakeholders
- **July-August 2020:** Revise tool in response to stakeholder feedback
- **September 2020:** Release tool

Note: Timeline and milestones are pending commitment from participating federal agencies to contribute resources (e.g., TA support) for development and publication of proposed tool.



General Discussion

- How would this kind of tool be helpful to you in your work?
What's missing?
- We're thinking about different platforms for how this tool could be accessed (e.g., online, phone app, printed document, etc.) – do you have preferences for how you might access this kind of tool?
- What additional stakeholder groups should we be talking to as we continue to refine our approach? What about when we're ready to test (and eventually launch) the tool?



Thank you

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